

**FISCAL NOTE**  
**LEGISLATIVE FISCAL ANALYST ESTIMATE**

<b>ESTIMATE OF FISCAL IMPACT – STATE AGENCIES</b> (See narrative for political subdivision estimates)				
	<b>FY 2017-18</b>		<b>FY 2018-19</b>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
GENERAL FUNDS	\$16,537		\$19,048	
CASH FUNDS				
FEDERAL FUNDS	\$16,537		\$19,048	
OTHER FUNDS				
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>	<b>\$33,074</b>		<b>\$38,096</b>	

**Any Fiscal Notes received from state agencies and political subdivisions are attached following the Legislative Fiscal Analyst Estimate.**

This bill allows a person with one of more convictions for the possession our use of a controlled substance or a person with one or two felony convictions involving the sale or distribution of a controlled substance to be eligible for Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) if certain conditions are met.

SNAP benefits are paid 100% by the federal government. Administrative costs are matched at 50% General and federal. The Department of Health and Human Services estimates this would increase the workload by approximately 187 cases. Based on current workload ratios, a half-time social service worker is needed. The cost would be \$33,074 (\$16,537 GF and FF) in FY 17 and \$38,096 (\$19,048 GF and FF) in FY 18. The department’s fiscal note indicates that current staff can absorb the additional case work.

<b>ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES STATE BUDGET DIVISION: REVIEW OF AGENCY &amp; POLT. SUB. RESPONSES</b>		
LB: 128 -Revised AM:	AGENCY/POLT. SUB: Department of Health and Human Services (DHHS)	
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COMMENTS: An increase in eligible individuals for SNAP program without addressing administrative support increases the probability of delaying eligibility determination and increasing the error rate.		

**ESTIMATE PROVIDED BY STATE AGENCY OR POLITICAL SUBDIVISION**

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	<u>FY 2017-2018</u>		<u>FY 2018-2019</u>	
	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE	EXPENDITURES	REVENUE
<b>GENERAL FUNDS</b>				
<b>CASH FUNDS</b>				
<b>FEDERAL FUNDS</b>				
<b>OTHER FUNDS</b>				
<b>TOTAL FUNDS</b>		\$0		\$0

Return by date specified or 72 hours prior to public hearing, whichever is earlier.

**Explanation of Estimate:**

Between calendar years 2015 and 2016, an average of 649 individuals annually were closed or denied Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP) benefits due to being a convicted drug felon. This amount is increased by 15 percent (746) to account for those who did not apply due to their conviction. It is assumed that 75 percent of these individuals would be added to a household already receiving benefits, so approximately 187 new cases would be opened, which can be absorbed by current staff.

SNAP benefits are 100% federally funded.

**MAJOR OBJECTS OF EXPENDITURE**

PERSONAL SERVICES:	NUMBER OF POSITIONS		2017-2018 EXPENDITURES	2018-2019 EXPENDITURES
	POSITION TITLE	17-18		
Benefits.....				
Operating.....				
Travel.....				
Capital Outlay.....				
Aid.....				
Capital Improvements.....				
<b>TOTAL.....</b>			<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$0</b>